## FISCAL NOTE

# SB 181 - HB 973

February 12, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Reduces the occupational privilege tax from \$400 to \$200 for professionals employed part-time.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Decrease State Revenues - \$1,480,000 Increase State Expenditures - \$51,000 One-Time

## Assumptions:

- Part-time employment is defined as a person engaged less than twenty (20) hours per week or earning less than one-half (1/2) of the average statewide salary for that occupation, as determined by the Department of Revenue.
- Current occupational privilege tax is \$400 per year.
- Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that approximately 11.3% of managerial and professional specialty employees work fewer than 34 hours per week.
- 131,000 individuals are subject to occupational privilege tax.
- Estimated number working fewer than 34 hours per week is 14,803 (131,000 X 11.3% = 14,803).
- Estimated that 50% of the 14,803 individuals working fewer than 34 hours per week (approximately 7,400 individuals) actually work fewer than 20 hours per week.
- Estimated decrease in state revenues is \$1,480,000 (7,400 individuals X \$200 reduction in the occupational privilege tax = \$1,480,000).
- One-time expenditures for form development, software upgrades, and computer programming modifications are estimated at \$51,000.
- Any person who does not meet the criteria for part-time work shall be deemed as a full-time worker.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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